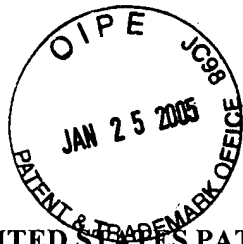


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Examiner: I. A. Rahimi  
For: IMAGE DETERMINING APPARATUS CAPABLE OF PROPERLY  
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**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART**

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We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated January 14, 2005.

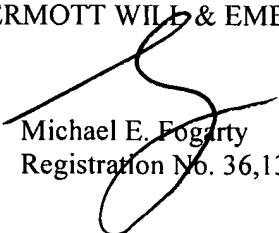
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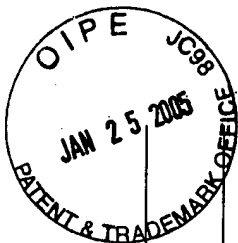
- (1) the appropriately acknowledged PTO-1449 be furnished to Applicant; and
- (2) the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

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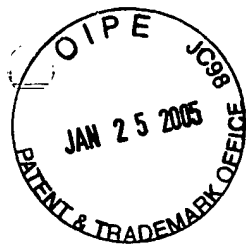
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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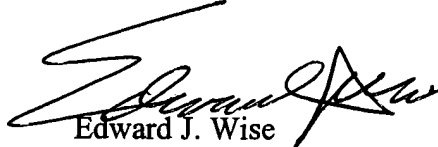
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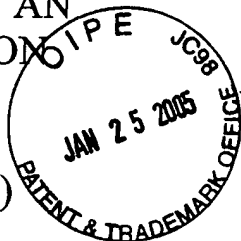


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